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COMING EVENTS

Mar 30 K. P. Dance at Lodge Hall, corner Brand Blvd. and Park Ave.

April 3 Cafeteria and Party, Benefit for Spanish Mission, at 507 Virginia Place.

Apl 5 Meeting of Thursday Club, speaker Mrs. M. E. Johnson, president of Wednesday Morning Club.

Apl 6 School Election.

April 7 Recital by pupils of Mrs. P. Jonas at Yeomen Hall.

April 8 Easter Sunday.

Apl 11 Kaffee-Klatch at home of Mrs. Wattles, No. Glendale Ave., benefit for Tennis Court fund.

May 12 Carnival on Municipal Playground.

May 15 to 19 G. A. R. Encampment at Long Beach

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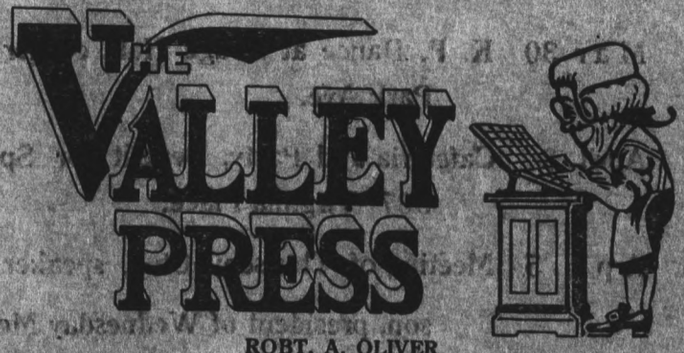

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With war imminent, the price of provisions climbing and exhortations from all quarters to put all vacant land into gardens and thus help to reduce the high cost of living, the control of Tropico's water supply by the city to the end that citizens may be granted lower irrigation rates, is very urgent. Gardens are dependent on water as well as on soil. At present prices in Tropico water will be almost prohibitive for irrigation purposes and unless something is done, lawns and flower gardens will be denied the water they need, our city will suffer in appearance and a deterioration of property values will take place. Nothing short of control of our water system will enable the city to furnish its citizens with cheap water. Our city council should get busy before it is too late.

A lively interest is being taken in the league ball games this season. The home team, Albert Cohns, have joined the Trolley League, and won the first game last Sunday from the H. R. Boynton team, with a score of 6-3. Next Sunday they meet Redondo, so are sure of a good game. Ladies are specially invited.

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The Faculty of Union High sprung a surprise on students at the fourth period Tuesday. Practical problems in arithmetic prepared by the Commercial Department were given out to all classes to be solved and the answers turned in during the period. The object on the part of the instructors was to test the knowledge of arithmetic possessed by the high school pupils.

Yesterday afternoon the A. and B. Sophomores of Union High entertained the Seniors with songs, readings, a trio of violin, 'cello and piano, and a little skit which included some dancing. After the program there were refreshments in the cafeteria.

The great oratorical contest at Union High comes off Friday evening, April 20th.

Public school pubils will enjoy their spring vacation next week.

The pupils' recital which was to have been given by Mrs. P. Jonas last Saturday, was postponed on account of the illness of one of the pupils. It will take place April 7,

SCHOOL TRUSTEE CANDIDATES

The Sentinel has been asked to announce that Mr. D. J. Hibben of Laurel avenue, yielding to the solicitations of his friends, has consented to be a candidate for membership of the Board of School Trustees of Tropico for the three year term.

Mr. Dan Campbell is a candidate for a trusteeship on the High School Board. The election takes place April 6th.

P. E. O. MEETING

Mrs. Clyde Carmack was hostess to the P. E. O. last Friday. After the business of the day had been transacted Mrs. Charles Barker gave a fine talk on "Women in Germany" which was greatly enjoyed. At the close of the program refreshments were served. Members present were: Mesdames Logan, Stephenson, Goodwin, Tholen, Hobbs, Ludden, Davenport, Lynch, Wattles, Carmack and Misses Katherine and Dorothy Hobbs.

DEATH OF MRS. CUTTER

Tuesday morning funeral services were held at the Pulliam parlors over the remains of Mrs. Lydia H. Cutter, well known in Tropico where she lived part of the time for the last ten years, though recently she made her home in Glendale. She was eighty-two years old and had been a resident of Southern California for thirty years. Her nearest relatives were a sister and a niece in New York and a grand nephew in Hollywood. She was a native of Louisiana and was a woman of fine character and an unusual mind.

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METHODIST DOINGS

Last Friday night the Epworth Leagues of the valley held a district rally at the West Glendale M. E. church, Tropico sending twenty-six of its members, the largest delegation there.

Sunday evening the Tropico Epworth League was addressed by a missionary from Chili who gave a most interesting report of conditions and customs in Chili.

The Bible study class of the Epworth League will resume its meetings Thursday evening of the present week at the parsonage. The books which the class will use, "The Life of Christ" by Edward Bosworth, have arrived and will be distributed to members of the class.

Friday evening Miss Edna Phillips will be hostess at a party to celebrate the birthday of her brother, Clyde Phillips at their home on Moore avenue. All members of the Epworth Laegue have been invited.

Friday evening, April 6th, members of the League will have a moonlight hayride either to Verdugo Park or Arroyo Seco. The boys will furnish the truck, the girls the supper, and a delightful time is anticipated.

A cafeteria and party will be given Tuesday evening, April 3rd at the home of Mrs. Francis Moore, 507 Virginia Place, the proceeds of which will be sent to the Spanish Mission at the Plaza. A novel menu has been arranged which includes: Pig in Blanket 9c, Irishman's Gold Brick 5c, Green and White Twins 1c, Orchard Mixture 5c, Sweet-Tooth Tempter 5c.

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The all day meeting at G. A. R. Hall last Thursday was one of the largest regular sessions the Post and Corps have ever held. Dinner was served to more than 100 guests.

Patriotic talks bearing upon the disturbed national conditions were made by Colonel Ginger, Comrade Henry, department president, Ella Carlin of Long Beach, who was a guest, and Treasurer Clara Holland. Another special guest was Comrade Lelashuer who brought his "fiddle" and delighted the audience with a repertoire of old fashioned jigs and hornpipes, played with such zest and spirit that even the ministers couldn't keep their feet still. Rev. Henry responded to calls for the favorite old songs, "The Old Man's Dream" and "The Grand Army Button."

There was no special business to be transacted and after the program general discusion was had of the plans for the convention and encampment at Long Beach from the 15th to the 19th of May, and of candidates for Department Commander of which there are two in the field at present, viz: Comrade Haskins of Stanton Post and Comrade Martin of Bartlett Logan Post. Hotel Virginia is to be headquarters for all patriotic orders.

The combined roster for the Post Corps and Sons of Veterans was distributed at the meeting.

BRIDGE AND BOULEVARD

Mr. Stephen Veselich keeps a tight rein on the Ivanhoe Bridge matter and sees that it doesn't get away from him. A few days ago he exhibited to the Sentinel's representative the signatures of Los Angeles property owners along the Brand boulevard route waiving damages on account of certain cuts it will be necessary to make. Without these waivers it would have been necessary to institute condemnation proceedings which would have caused a delay of several months. The property owners mentioned are as anxious as are the other residents of the district to have the boulevard put through as soon as possible and therefore readily signed the waiver.

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LOCAL HAPPENINGS

A needlework party for the ladies of the Richardson family was given Tuesday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Gertrude Richardson Rudling, Fairview avenue, Glendale. A buffet luncheon was served. Blue and white Fleur de Lis and Calla lilies were effectively employed in decorations. The guest list numbered about fifteen.

Mrs. Eustace B. Moore is now able to be out and around.

Sunday school and church services will be combined on Easter Day at the Presbyterian church and they will open at 10:30 a. m.

The annual church supper of the Presbyterian church was held Wednesday evening, covers being laid for more than one hundred. Five trustees were elected and reports were received from all the officers of the church.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles H. Phillips, of 335 San Fernando Boulevard, are the happy parents of a second boy, born Sunday at the Angelus Hospital. He is a fine, lusty little fellow for whom a name has not yet been selected. Mother and child are doing well.

The subject of a discourse by Dr. William H. Walker at the Baptist services to be held next Sunday morning at 11 o'clock at the K. P. Hall on Brand Boulevard, will be "The Days of Noah and the Days of the Coming of the Son of Man."

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Smart McKee of Chicago, their son and daughter, Walter and Sarah McKee, and Mr. Manello of Naples, Italy, were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Turck of North Glendale avenue.

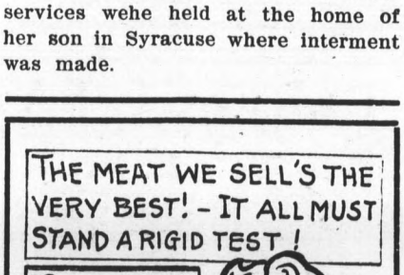
Mrs. Mary Ayers has returned from a three weeks' visit with her daughter, Mrs. Melrose at Reedley.

Eugene Imler is entertaining his college friends, Homer Bullard, William Renshaw and Sam Rasmussen during the Easter vacation. The party enjoyed a fishing trip at Santa Monica last Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Gibbs from Corona spent last week with their daughter, Mrs. Wallace on Tropico avenue, returning Friday.

Miss Lucille Barnes is steadily improving and is now able to sit up out of doors. She has had quite a long illness as the result of a fall downstairs.

Many Tropico residents will learn with sincere sorrow of the death of Mrs. Henry Shoudy of Weedsport, N. Y., who was the only sister of Mrs. C. C. Chandler and who resided in Tropico for several years making many friends here. She had been ailing for some time but her friends were not alarmed. Heart trouble developed and death resulted. Mr. and Mrs. Chandler had expected to visit her the coming summer. Funeral services wehe held at the home of her son in Syracuse where interment was made.



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Mr. Jesse Smith, representing the Ford in Glendale, had the pleasure of entertaining his parents at dinner last Sunday. They are spending the winter in California and making their headquarters at Hotel Gates in Los Angeles.

For his themes next Sunday Rev. Don Ford has selected for the morning service "What makes life worth while," and for the evening sermon "Why I keep Sunday instead of Saturday."

Mrs. Edwin Virden was quite ill for several days last week.

The Yeomen had "a dandy good time" at their dance last Friday night which was attended by about forty couples.

Mr. and Mrs. C. Haskell Jones of 514 North Glendale avenue are the parents of a fine boy born on the 18th.

Mr. Harry Branning of Glassell Park gave a dance at Yeomen Hall Wednesday night.

Rev. Don Ford, who has entirely recovered from his recent illness, is looking forward with eager anticipations to the arrival the later part of this week of his sister-in-law, Mrs. J. A. Morrow of Ryegate, Mont., accompanied by Mr. Ford's little six-year-old daughter. He hopes Mrs. Morrow will be able to spend a month in Tropico.

Mrs. Charles Wallace Kimberly, Miss Ida Myers, Mrs. Wesley Bullis and Mrs. Ella Richardson as delegates and alternates are attending the District Federation meeting of Woman's Clubs at Santa Monico this week. Matters of great importance to club women will come before the convention.

The Kansas picnic will take place at Sycamore Grove April 7th.

The little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Marek of West Tenth street who was born March 9th, has been named Eleanor Marabeth. She is a fine, healthy girl.

Miss Adda Burch gave an interesting address on Chili to the Epworth League of Tropico on Sunday evening, illustrating the address with curios and pictures.

Prof. W. H. Head of Alhambra gave an impressive reading of the Pilgrim's Progress to an interested and appreciative audience in the Methodist church in Tropico on Tuesday night and those who were not there missed a rare treat. Dr. Dowling spoke in the interests of the Chautauqua movement in Monticita afterwards.

Mrs. Sherman of Los Angeles was the guest of Mrs. Emily Dunlop of Perlita avenue the first of this week.

A new club composed of young people of Tropico has been organized under the name "The Roharo." Entertainment pure and simple is its object. The Sentinel will have more to say of this later.

Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Van Tine, who have been visiting their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Van Tine of La Clede avenue for some time, have returned to their home in Hillsboro, North Dakota.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Cooney of Perlita avenue and daughters Katherine and Genevieve, visited friends at Van Nuys on Sunday.

Mrs. G. E. McDowell of Berkeley, California, was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Gravel of Perlita avenue this week.

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DEATH OF MRS. MINNIE R. HOUGH

Tropico residents were inexpressibly shocked when the sad news was brought to this city of the sudden death last Saturday of Mrs. Minnie Reberta Hough at the Burbank Hospital whither she had gone about two before for an operation which was entirely successful and she was so far convalescent as to be planning her return to her own home. Her husband was away on a business trip, believing that his wife was past all danger, but her heart suddenly failed and death claimed her. She was a woman of sweet, gentle nature, beloved by all who knew her to whom she was ever a friend and a comforter in time of trouble. There will be many to share the grief of her husband, her two daughters, Mrs. Glen Craig and Mrs. Louis Coole, her little granddaughter, Pauline Craig, all of Tropico. She also leaves four brothers and eight sisters. Her sister, Mrs. Richard Todd, is a resident of Tropico. Two other sisters, Mrs. B. A. Anderson and Miss Dora Council live in Los Angeles where three brothers, B. F., Will, and Ed Council, reside. Funeral services were conducted at the Jewel City Undertaking parlors Tuesday morning, by Rev. H. C. Shoemaker of San Fernando, a former pastor of the Tropico Presbyterian church. Interment was made in Forest Lawn Memorial Park where services were conducted by the Woman's Relief Corps of which Mrs. Hough was an official and active member.

The Jewel City Parlors were taxed to their utmost capacity Tuesday morning to receive all the friends of Mrs. William Hough who gathered there to pay a last tribute of respect to the woman they had loved. Mr. Shoemaker made no formal address but rather a talk in which he dwelt on her kindness and sincerity and the many traits of character which had endeared her to neighbors and friends. Mesdames Grace Hobbs, Kate Stephenson, Luella Bullis and C. Carmack, all neighbors who had known Mrs. Hough for years, sang "Saved by Grace" and "Abide With Me." At Forest Lawn the Woman's Relief Corps took charge of the services, Mrs. Hough having been an active member and at the time of her death holding the office of Assistant Conductor. Sixty members participated, each one dropping a white carnation on the casket; and the flag which Mrs. Hough had so many times carried as Color Bearer was lowered with the casket at the request of her daughter, Mrs. Mabel Craig, whose plea was: "Mama loved it so." She will be greatly missed among her friends and sister members of the W. R. C., the many and beautiful floral pieces testifying to the universal esteem in which she was held.

PLAYGROUND BENEFITS

Last Friday's program at the Palace Grand drew big audiences both afternoon and evening. It was given under the auspices of the Civic Committee of the Thursday Afternoon Club and was a benefit for the Municipal Playground. The Sentinel is advised that about $45 was realized for the playground.

The playground executive committee have made considerable progress in their arrangements for the Carnival May 12th. A fine afternoon program is being prepared by the Cerritos school.

Mr. Curl of the Tropico Feed and Fuel Company had a near burglary at his home a few nights ago. He was awakened during the night by the slamming shut of casement windows which open inside. Wondering what draft could have caused it he went into the kitchen where he found the outside door standing open and the key on the floor. He had carefully locked the door before going to bed. He calmly relocked it and returned to his bed.

TORRENS SYSTEM

"Farm Loans and City Bonds" of Chicago, a widely read magazine, says, in its February issue:

"For over twenty years the organized realty interests of the United States have been studying the Torrens system of land title registration. The result has been universal rejection of the idea. Not a single real estate board in the country, after thorough investigation by its attorneys, has recommended the Torrens system to its members and the public.

"Not only is the Torrens idea rejected as a local proposal, but also by national real estate organizations. The National Association of Real Estate Exchanges comprises in its membership all the important realty boards in the United States and Canada. That organization, embracing in its membership several thousand realty men of many cities, has studied the Torrens system thoroughly and rejected it.

"All the national, sectional and state associations of farm mortgage men and companies have likewise studied and rejected the Torrens system. The same is true of the national and state associations of bond and mortgage investment men. Their experts have found that even in the country, where title conditions are not nearly so intricate as in the cities, the Torrens system would not do. Even there, they declare, to install it generally would be to start an avalanche of litigation, to renew and revive ancient tax titles and other shadowy claims, and to imperil millions in mortgage and bond investments in every rural community.

Snakes In the Water.

All reptiles swim. Almost all snakes move through the water with as much ease and rapidity as on land. Rattlesnakes, for example, are much given to swimming in placid water if it is not too cold. In the Everglade lakes of Florida they are often seen. It is well known that to attack from a boat a poisonous snake in the water is a much more dangerous proceeding than to attack the snake on land. The reason is that the reptile will immediately make for the boat, since it must have a solid base from which to strike. It half leaps and half climbs into the craft, and there is a fight at uncomfortably close quarters.—Exchange.

A Wasp That Uses Tools.

Wasps are in one respect more civilized than any other insect or animal. John Burroughs tells us that, "though it has been thought that man is the only tool using animal, yet there is one species of wasp, ammophila, that uses a little pebble to pound down the earth over her nest. She takes the pebble in her mandibles, as you or I would take a stone in our hand, and uses it as a hammer to pound down the soil above the cavity that holds her egg. This is a remarkable fact. So far as I know, there is no other animal on this continent that makes any mechanical use of an object or substance foreign to its own body in this way."

Curious Old Almanacs.

The first almanac printed in Europe covered the years 1475, 1494 and 1513 and was published at Buda, Hungary. The first printed almanac in England was the "Sheapheards Kalender," printed in 1497. In the fifteenth and sixteenth centuries almanacs became comparatively common in Europe. The early almanacs contained many prognostications regarding "the Dispocission of the People and also of the Wether," to quote one of them, and also instruction in "Phisike and Surgerye" and information about "Infortunate Times to Bie and Sell, take Medicine, Sowe, Plant and Journey," etc.

Going Astray at Sea.

It is no easy matter to keep a modern steamship on a straight course. The helmsman steers by the compass, and, while a single degree of deviation appears very small on the compass card, it would, if continued, carry a fast steamship four miles out of her course in a single day's run. Yet the compass gives the course more accurately than the ship can be steered. Owing to the deflecting power of the waves and the rolling of the ship, the course is continually shifted a little this way and that despite the helm.

Sarcastic.

"John," said a father to his son one day when he caught him shaving the down off his upper lip, "don't throw your shaving water out where there are any barefooted boys about or they might get their feet pricked."

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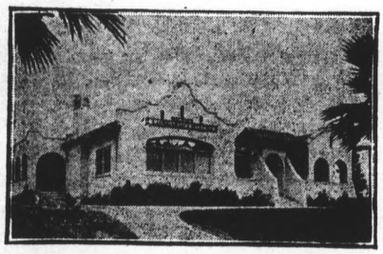

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CELEBRATED AVIATOR

Tropico was honored last week by the visit of a distinguished aviator, Mr. Earl Ovington and wife, who came for the special purpose of calling upon Dr. Weston, father of Mrs. John Seaman, who is an old friend. The Ovingtons spent Saturday afternoon with the doctor and the Seaman family and had so many interesting experiences to relate that their hosts were loath to let them go. Besides his reputation as a great aviator, Mr. Ovington is becoming very well known through having introduced into the United States what is known as the Bulgarian Cultures, which destroy injurious bacteria in milk and which he used when in Paris. After his return to the United States he began its production here on a small scale for himself and his friends and found so great a demand that it led him to build large laboratories for its manufacture under the formulas used in Paris. Since his advent in California he has organized a company in Pasadena with a $50,000 capitalization, the stock of which has all been taken by wealthy resident of the Crown City. Mr. Ovington has fallen in love with California and has purchased ten acres on the ocean front at Santa Barbara which he plans to improve for a permanent home.

ASTOUNDING REPORT FOR TROPICO

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CO-OPERATION AMONG COMPETITORS

Co-operation among competitors may seem exotic, not a native possibility; it may seem beyond reason. Competition has always been regarded as competition and to most dealers it means hectoring for trade. There are few who might agree that competitors can co-operate with a view to profit, peace, and commercial contentment. Unfortunately, the greater possibilities are over-looked and a strong impulse on the part of many is to tear at the vitals of another's trade; to destroy reputations for honesty; to drag in dust the good name of one, or another, for integrity and generous dealing and retail worth. Some are so fearful of competition that they spend their lives in volcanic efforts to relive the imagined pressure. The elimniating of competitors and the desire to remove competition only lends to discontent. It holds one everlastingly before the mirror of hatred and distrust. An over-indulgence in thinking of competitors and of what they might or might not do in the matter of sales usually ends in a silly price cutting contest. The often observed window trim aimed at another usually opens the field for the dealer who is disinterested in price cutting contests. While on the other hand two or more merchants can make a happy family in a small town when they agree not to become competitive. Because one dislikes the man in the same business as himself is no reason why he should give his merchandise away at a discount.

THE CUSTOMER-OWNERSHIP IDEA

Making the people financial partners in public utilities is a new and popular movement.

The Northern States Power Co. has sold six per cent stock to several thousand customers the past two years.

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This system opens the door to friendly co-operation between conservative citizens and utility concerns, instead of suspicious, envious antagonists. Under this plan utilities will be managed with a higher sense of devotion to public service.

Regulatory commissions will learn to have more respect for these properties and radical action will be minimized.

PROCEEDINGS OF BOARD OF TRUSTEES

All members were in their seats when the Board was called to order last Tuesday evening. Also present were City Attorney, City Clerk, City Health Officer, City Engineer and City Marshal.

Communications

The first communication read was from the Pacific Light & Power Company, enclosing statements of additions and betterments for the month of February.

A second communication was from Mr. Hamman who appeared before the Board some months ago asking for an opportunity to audit the delinquent tax accounts of the city which had not been turned over by the county. The present letter expressed the opinion that a sum in the neighborhood of $800 was coming to the city and offered to make the audit for $25. Ordered placed on file.

Milk Permit

An application from H. E. MacMullin for permit to sell 200 gallons of milk in Tropico was presented, referred to the Health Officer and later approved by him and permit granted.

Building Ordinance Amendment

The draft of an ordinance amending Section 19 of Building Ordinance No. 44 regulating the building of California houses, tent houses, lath houses, etc., was submitted by City Attorney Shaw, read by the City Clerk and on motion of Trustee Henry was passed at its first reading, Trustee Seal voting No.

Garbage Contract

A revised contract between the city and W. E. Edwards for the collection of garbage, was submitted by the City Attorney providing for two complete collections per week at a compensation of $4.50 per collection. It was referred to Health Officer Mabry for review and presentation to Mr. Edwards for signature.

Railroad Signs

The recommendations of the Railroad Commission relative to the placing of signs at approaches to railroad crossings, received last week, came up for consideration and after discussion were referred to the President of the Board with instructions to negotiate with Southern Pacific officials in regard to the matter.

Street Superintendent

The appointment of a Superintendent of Streets came up under the call for old business and on motion of Trustee Alspach, the Board unanimously voted to appoint J. F. Ripley to fill the position made vacant by the resignation of Mr. Wasson.

President Peters reported that he had employed Mr. McFeeters to assist in the removal of city property from Mr. Wasson's premises to the lot in the rear of the City Hall, and also to assist in street work during the past week, and his action was approved by the Board.

Fire Siren

President Peters stated he had nothing new to report relative to fire sirens except that he thought a Westinghouse whistle could be bought for $16 which he thought with minor expense could be adapted to the uses of the city. The committee was continued for one week with the recommendation that it visit Long Beach and inspect the fire sirens there.

Fire Districts

Trustee Veselich brought up the matter of establishing fire districts which he urged as very important. Informal discussion followed in which the formation of a district on San Fernando Boulevard between Tropico and Brand Boulevard was recommended, and the possibility of a district on Brand Boulevard from Park to Acacia was considered. It was finally referred to Trustees Henry and Peters and the City Attorney to prepare a draft of such an ordinance and report at the next meeting.

Bouquets for City Officials

S. A. Davis appeared before the Board and expressed his appreciation of the policy of the present city officials in looking after accounts opened by street contractors with local merchants and seeing that same are paid before settlement is made for street work. He recited his experience and losses on accounts carried for contractors under previous administrations and wished to compliment the Board on its present public spirited policy.

Demands

Demands were presented and allowed as follows: Glendale News for City Directory $2.25; Tropico Sentinel for publication of Ordinance 124, $3.37.

The Board then adjourned.

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Fumed Oak furniture that has a shabby appearance can be renewed by applying Dutch Polishing Wax with a soft cloth. Other highly polished surfaces like automobiles and varnished furniture can be renovated with the same wax and in the same manner.

Ink stains can be removed from floors with a paste made of chloride of lime. After allowing it to remain on the spots for a few minutes, until nearly dry, scrape off and wash with luke warm water.

HAUNTING MELODIES OF THE MISSION PLAY

While it is true that the chief impression made upon whoever witnesses the Mission Play at San Gabriel is the exaltation of feeling brought out in the human heart by the heroic struggle of the Missionary fathers and the Spanish pioneers to establish Christian civilization on the west coast of America, it is also true that no visitor can come away from the Play without forever keeping in his heart the memory of the haunting music with which the Play is saturated from beginning to end.

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CHURCH CALENDAR

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Central and Palmer Aves., Tropico

Pastor, Rev. Don Ford, 406 Central Avenue.

Sunday morning service at 11 o'clock; Sunday school 9:45 a. m., Epworth League 6:30 p. m., Will Hewett, president; Sunday evening service 7:30 o'clock; Junior League 2:30 p. m. Norma Wallace President; midweek prayer meeting Wednesday evening at 7:30 o'clock; Woman's Foreign Missionary Society meeting the second Thursday afternoon in the month, Mrs. Henry Goodsill, president; Woman's Home Misisonary Society meeting the fourth Tuesday in the month, Mrs. Mary Cole, president; Ladies' Aid meeting the first Tuesday in the month, Mrs. Lorena Cramer, president.

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Laurel and Central Aves., Tropico

Pastor, Rev. O. P. Rider, 208 East Acacia street.

Sunday morning service, 11 o'clock; Sunday school 9:45 a. m., Christian Endeavor meeting Sunday at 6:30 p. m., H. E. Fry, president; Sunday evening service 7:30 o'clock; midweek prayer meeting, Wednesday evening at 7:30 o'clock; Ladies' Aid meeting, the second Thursday afternoon in the month, Mrs. A. W. Collins, president; Woman's Missionary Meeting, the last Thursday afternoon in the month, Mrs. Merritt Ludden, president; Phileathea Class, Miss Edna Brown, president; Men's Bible Class, Sam Brown, president.

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Subject April 1, "Reality."

BAPTIST SERVICES

K. P. Hall, Brand and Park Avenue, Tropico

Sunday school 9:45 a. m., E. Kenrick, Supt.; Church Service, 11 a. m., conducted by Dr. W. H. Walker; Prayer Service Wednesday evening, 7:30 p. m.

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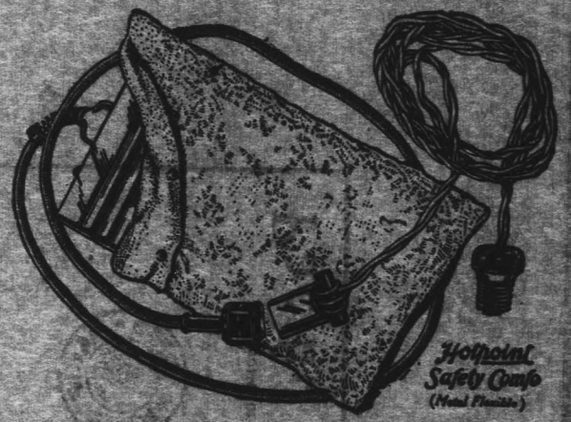

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